## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA RICHMOND DIVISION

SARAH E. SPIERS,	)
Plaintiff,	)
v.	) Case No.: 3:24-cv-00174-REF
WHITEFORD, TAYLOR & PRESTON, LLP,	) ) )
Defendant.	)

## STATEMENT RESPECTING CONSENT TO ASSIGNMENT TO MAGISTRATE JUDGE

Pursuant to the Court's Order in the above-captioned matter entered on May 9, 2024, Whiteford, Taylor & Preston, LLP, by counsel, hereby consents to the assignment of this case to a Magistrate Judge as the presiding judicial officer.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: May 13, 2024 WHITEFORD, TAYLOR & PRESTON, LLP

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